



United States
Department of
Agriculture

Please Note:

New vendors and subcontractors must supply all required paperwork (Appendix 1, Financial Statement, and 3 Reference Letters). In addition, all Vendors must also be registered in the CCR within 48 hours after bid opening or your company may be considered non-responsive.

Marketing and
Regulatory
Programs

FV-200

Fruit and Vegetable Programs

Agricultural
Marketing
Service

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Washington, DC
20250

Canned Fruit, Announcement FV-200, Invitation 250

The Department of Agriculture (USDA) invites offers to sell canned fruit as indicated below and per the Announcement for use in needy family program and other domestic food assistance programs. Offers are due by **1 p.m., Central Time, Tuesday, February 17, 2004**. Acceptances will be announced by midnight, Friday, February 27, 2004. Deliveries are to be made from April 1, 2004 to June 15, 2004.

Offers are invited from the trade for:

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| Canned Applesauce | 24/#300 | 81,000 cases |
| Canned Plums | 24/#300 | 9,720 cases |

All invitations with orders for the state of New York, must have the pack date stamped on the outside of each carton. The pack date should be annotated as per the following example: (05/01/2003). Orders for the state of New York requiring the special marking will be indicated by (). This applies to New York orders "Only," if and when they appear on an invitation.**

Vendors doing business with USDA are required to be registered in the Central Contractor Registration (CCR) system, before being awarded contracts. If the Offeror is not registered in the CCR database within 48 hours after bid opening, offers will be deemed non-responsive.

Assignees shall be separately registered in the CCR database. Once a contract has been awarded, the Contractor shall not change the name or address for Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT) payments in the CCR record for the purpose of assignment of claims.

Offerors may obtain information on CCR registration and annual renewal requirements via the Internet at <http://www.ccr.gov> or by calling 1-888-227-2423 or 269-961-5757.



Bids must be submitted electronically via the Domestic Electronic Bid Entry System (DEBES) on the Internet. Offerors who submit bids using other than DEBES, will be deemed non-responsive. Offeror must be assigned a Logon ID by USDA to access the site. The Internet address is: <http://pcsd.usda.gov/debes> which translates into a connection of <https://pcsd.usda.gov:3077/mdbc1000.exe?> Once connected, follow the online procedures. A 'HELP' button provides detailed instructions for using the system or call 202-720-4517 for assistance.

Bidders are cautioned to bid only quantities they can reasonably expect to produce and deliver in accordance with the contract. Inquiries about Announcement FV-200, Appendix-1, the Commodity Specification for Canned Fruit dated June 1999, or this Invitation should be directed to the Contracting Officer, USDA/AMS/Fruit and Vegetable Programs, Commodity Procurement Branch STOP 0239, 1400 Independence Avenue, S.W., Washington, DC 20250-9410, telephone (202) 720-4517. An electronic version of this invitation can be obtained through the World Wide Web via the Commodity Procurement Home Page at <http://www.ams.usda.gov/cp>.

Purchases will be made on a delivered basis, subject to Announcement FV-200, to the listed locations. Delivery by trucks or railcars is optional to the contractor, except for those destination(s) which specify delivery by truck only or rail only.

Split shipments are indicated by single asterisk.

ANNOUNCEMENT : FV200
 INVITATION : 250
 COMM GROUP : 30 FRUIT, CANNED
 COMM TYPE : 11 APPLESAUCE, CANNED
 PACK SIZE : 24 24/#300 CAN

| ITEM NO | DESTINATION CITY | ST | TRANS RESTR | QUANTITY (CSE) | PRICE PER (CSE) |
|-------------------------------------|------------------|----|-------------|----------------|-----------------|
| DELIVERY PERIOD 04/01/04 - 04/15/04 | | | | | |
| 001 | EAST SYRACUSE | NY | TRUCK ONLY | 1,620 | _____** |
| 002 | LATHAM | NY | TRUCK ONLY | 810 | _____** |
| | MILLWOOD | NY | TRUCK ONLY | 810 | |
| 003 | ROANOKE | VA | TRUCK ONLY | 1,620 | _____ |
| 004 | WINTER HAVEN | FL | | 1,620 | _____ |
| 005 | ATLANTA | GA | TRUCK ONLY | 1,620 | _____ |
| 006 | COLUMBIA | SC | TRUCK ONLY | 1,620 | _____ |
| 007 | COLUMBUS | OH | TRUCK ONLY | 1,620 | _____ |
| 008 | TOLEDO | OH | TRUCK ONLY | 1,620 | _____ |
| 009 | HOUSTON | TX | TRUCK ONLY | 1,620 | _____ |
| 010 | ODESSA | TX | TRUCK ONLY | 1,620 | _____ |
| 011 | LONG BEACH | CA | TRUCK ONLY | 1,620 | _____ |
| 012 | LOS ANGELES | CA | TRUCK ONLY | 1,620 | _____ |
| 013 | SACRAMENTO | CA | TRUCK ONLY | 1,620 | _____ |

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| DELIVERY PERIOD 04/16/04 - 04/30/04 | | | | | |
| 014 | BOSTON | MA | TRUCK ONLY | 1,215 | _____ |
| | LOWELL | MA | TRUCK ONLY | 405 | _____ |
| 015 | HATFIELD | MA | TRUCK ONLY | 810 | _____ |
| | SHREWSBURY | MA | TRUCK ONLY | 810 | _____ |
| 016 | BRONX | NY | TRUCK ONLY | 1,620 | _____ ** |
| 017 | WINTER HAVEN | FL | | 1,620 | _____ |
| 018 | ATLANTA | GA | TRUCK ONLY | 1,620 | _____ |
| 019 | AKRON | OH | TRUCK ONLY | 1,053 | _____ |
| | YOUNGSTOWN | OH | TRUCK ONLY | 567 | _____ |
| 020 | NEW ORLEANS | LA | TRUCK ONLY | 3,240 | _____ |
| 021 | LOS ANGELES | CA | TRUCK ONLY | 1,620 | _____ |
| 022 | SAN DIEGO | CA | TRUCK ONLY | 1,620 | _____ |
| 023 | SAN FRANCISCO | CA | TRUCK ONLY | 1,620 | _____ |
| DELIVERY PERIOD 05/16/04 - 05/31/04 | | | | | |
| 024 | BRONX | NY | TRUCK ONLY | 1,620 | _____ ** |
| 025 | CREEDMOOR | NC | TRUCK ONLY | 6,480 | _____ |
| 026 | SALISBURY | NC | TRUCK ONLY | 3,240 | _____ |
| 027 | CHICAGO | IL | TRUCK ONLY | 1,620 | _____ |

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| 028 | BENTON HARBOR | MI | TRUCK ONLY | 520 | _____ |
| | CADILLAC | MI | TRUCK ONLY | 1,100 | _____ |
| 029 | CLEVELAND | OH | TRUCK ONLY | 1,620 | _____ |
| 030 | BAKERSFIELD | CA | TRUCK ONLY | 1,620 | _____ |
| 031 | LOS ANGELES | CA | TRUCK ONLY | 1,620 | _____ |
| DELIVERY PERIOD 06/01/04 - 06/15/04 | | | | | |
| 032 | BOSTON | MA | TRUCK ONLY | 1,620 | _____ |
| 033 | CENTRAL ISLIP | NY | TRUCK ONLY | 1,620 | _____ ** |
| 034 | WINTER HAVEN | FL | | 1,620 | _____ |
| 035 | COLUMBIA | SC | TRUCK ONLY | 1,620 | _____ |
| 036 | COMSTOCK PARK | MI | TRUCK ONLY | 1,069 | _____ |
| | PONTIAC | MI | TRUCK ONLY | 551 | _____ |
| 037 | DETROIT | MI | | 1,620 | _____ |
| | DETROIT | MI | TRUCK ONLY | 1,620 | _____ |
| 038 | FLINT | MI | TRUCK ONLY | 886 | _____ |
| | LANSING | MI | TRUCK ONLY | 734 | _____ |
| 039 | FAIRFIELD | OH | TRUCK ONLY | 1,620 | _____ |
| 040 | HOUSTON | TX | TRUCK ONLY | 1,620 | _____ |
| 041 | FRESNO | CA | TRUCK ONLY | 1,620 | _____ |

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| 042 | WINTER HAVEN | FL | | 1,620 | _____ |
| 043 | CHICAGO | IL | TRUCK ONLY | 1,620 | _____ |
| 044 | LOS ANGELES | CA | TRUCK ONLY | 1,620 | _____ |
| TOTAL QUANTITY FOR COMMODITY TYPE | | | | 81,000 | |

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 PACK SIZE : 31 24/300 CAN

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| 045 | LOS ANGELES | CA | TRUCK ONLY | 1,620 | _____ |
| 046 | SACRAMENTO | CA | TRUCK ONLY | 1,620 | _____ |
| DELIVERY PERIOD 05/01/04 - 05/15/04 | | | | | |
| 047 | CHICAGO | IL | TRUCK ONLY | 1,620 | _____ |
| 048 | HOUSTON | TX | TRUCK ONLY | 1,620 | _____ |
| DELIVERY PERIOD 06/01/04 - 06/15/04 | | | | | |
| 049 | LOUISVILLE | KY | TRUCK ONLY | 1,620 | _____ |
| 050 | CARTHAGE | MO | | 1,620 | _____ |
| TOTAL QUANTITY FOR COMMODITY TYPE | | | | 9,720 | |
| TOTAL QUANTITY FOR INVITATION | | | | 90,720 | |

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Contracting Officer

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